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We still have a very nice assortment of Holiday Gifts should you care to give a New Year Present

Men's, Ladies' and Children's Hosiery

Children's Little Hose, all shades,	15c to	:	:	\$.50
Ladies' Little Hose, all colors,	15c to	:	:	1.25
Ladies' Silk Hose, all colors,	75c to	:	:	3.00
Men's Little Hose, all colors,	15c to	:	:	.50
Men's Silk Hose, all colors,	50c to	:	:	1.50

Men's Shoes \$1.75 to \$7.00--All Leathers

Neckwear in fancy boxes, 50c to				\$1.50
Men's Necktie, Hose and Handkerchief, sets in fancy boxes, \$1.00 to				\$2.00
Men's Scarf Pins and Cuff Buttons, in fancy boxes, 50c up to				\$1.50
Linen and Silk Handkerchiefs in fancy boxes from 25c up to				50c

Ladies Shoes \$1.75 to \$5.00--All Leathers

Evening Slippers all styles and leathers, from \$2.50 to				\$5.00
Satin and Velvet, all shades, \$3.50 to				\$5.00
Men's, ladies and children's slippers, felt and leather, 50c to				\$3.50
Kozy Traveling Slippers, Men's and Ladies, all shades				\$3.50

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Model Shoe Store
C. E. Frank, Proprietor

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Improved Farm and Ranch Lands in Nueces, San Patricio and Refugio Counties.

S. G. Borden,
Lyric Theatre Building.

PAY THAT POLL TAX

Voters Busy Yesterday Securing their Certificates.

City Secretary Dunn and his aides had a busy day of it yesterday in issuing the certificates that will keep Corpus Christi voters out of the Chinaman class. More than 150 poll taxes were paid and 40 exemption certificates issued. The totals in the city now aggregate 671.

Today is the last day that the voters can pay their poll taxes with impunity. Secretary Dunn stated that he will issue poll tax receipts during all of the month of January, but there will be a ten per cent penalty on each tax paid.

A risk that the voter who waits until January to pay his poll tax will subject himself to is in having his vote challenged should the judges at the election decide that the receipts issued after December 31 were invalid.

To be on the safe side, it is better to pay today. County poll taxes can be paid any time by January 31.

SNAKE STORE BURNS.

Reptiles Get Out of Boxes But None of Firemen Are Bitten.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 29.— Fighting fire and snakes was the thrilling experience of the members of the local fire department when they were called to the snake store conducted by W. O. Lunn on West Commerce street. It is believed that the fire was of incendiary origin.

As the fire was gaining headway the snakes broke out of the boxes in which they had been confined and the firemen were compelled to trample over them in order to reach the flames. None of the firemen, however, were bitten by the deadly reptiles.

There were several hundred snakes in the place, including copperheads, rattlers, bull snakes and whip snakes, besides tarantulas and adders. Many of the snakes were killed by the firemen walking over them with their heavy boots and crushing their heads and others are believed to have crawled out of the burning building and into San Pedro creek which flows alongside the building in which the store was located. It is expected that about 300 snakes will die as a result of the heat caused by the flames.

There were 500 parrots in the building which were suffocated by the smoke within a few minutes. A valuable collection of hides and other articles was destroyed. The loss is about \$2500 and fully covered by insurance.

We always have the latest crea-
mens jewelry, diamonds,
gold, silver, pearls,
etc. We also buy
old gold, silver,
etc.

WATERWORKS MATERIAL

Extensions Delayed on Account of the Weather.

All of the material needed for the proposed extensions of the water mains in the city has arrived. It is not known, however, when the work on these extensions will be started, owing to the weather conditions. As soon as practicable the work will be turned to completion.

There has been considerable delay in getting the material for these extensions. The first order, which was placed several months ago, was lost on a shipwreck on the Atlantic coast, the cost falling on the company making the shipment. Bids were again advertised for, and another order placed, the present material being the result of the second order.

The first carload of big pipe to be used in repairing the damaged water main between here and the pump house has been delivered at Calallen, and the work of repairing the main line will be started as soon as possible. There will be no bother about the water supply in the city while this work is going on. The total amount of 16-inch pipe amounting to 135 tons, will be laid on top of the ground, and when the connections with the regular mains are ready to be made, there will be no delay in service. The old main which is to be replaced has been in about state of repair for some time, and the new pipe is badly needed.

New Road Projected.

(Caller-Herald Special)

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 29.— Contracts have been signed and construction work will begin February 1st, 1912, on the proposed railroad which will extend from this city to San Angelo where it will connect with the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient Railroad and south to Crowley. In the northern part of McMullen county it will branch, one line extending to Rockport and Aransas Harbor and the other to points in the lower Rio Grande Valley.

British capital is behind this project and purposes developing the Crowley oil and gas fields. The oil will be transported to the seacoast and the gas will be used to light all manufacturing purposes and to light all trains running over the new road.

It is estimated that the whole project will cost approximately \$10,000,000.

LATE MARKET REPORT

Cotton Steady and Advanced. Cattle Steady and Hogs Lower.

(By The Associated Press.)

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 29.—Cotton futures closed steady at a net advance of 7 to 9 points. Spots easy in 1-16 lower.

(By The Associated Press.)

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 29.—Cattle steady; export steers \$17.50; hogs 5 to 10 lower; heavy \$6.15-\$7.22 1-2. Sheep strong.

RESTORING FLOW OF RIVER.

Pumping Water Into San Antonio Stream to Be Kept Up.

(Caller-Herald Special)

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 29.—

Whether or not the pumping of water into the San Antonio river from an abandoned artesian well in the hope of restoring its flow is to be continued will be determined at a conference of the directors of the River Improvement Association. The present contract of pumping water into the river will expire December 31st.

The work of pumping water into the river has been going on for about two months and those who have been in charge of it say it has produced results. What was formerly a chain of stagnant water pools has been converted into a running stream. Thousands of barrels of water have been pumped and the water soaked through the ground, and several hundred trees that were dying for want of water have been revived.

Valuable Information.

will be furnished by mail to any person afflicted with Galitro without charge. No medicine or surgery is necessary to make a cure in this disease. Address DR. WM. TEER, Scientific Massager, Lock Box 632, residence 903 Chaparral St., Corpus Christi, Texas. 12-20-28

WEATHER BULLETIN.

December 29.

Stations—	1	2	3
Abilene, Texas	44	18	
Chicago, Ill.	22	14	
Corpus Christi	58	4	.02
Denver, Colo.	2	4	.01
Galveston, Tex.	16	4	.19
Havre, Mont.	16	4	.10
Jacksonville, Fla.	10	8	
Kansas City, Mo.	20	12	
Palestine, Texas	40	8	
Oklahoma City	24	24	
Shreveport, Tex.	25	16	
St. Paul, Minn.	8	10	
Taylor, Texas	46	4	.01

(1) Temperature, lowest last night.

(2) Wind velocity.

(3) Precipitation last 24 hours.

JOSEPH L. CLINE,

Local Forecaster, Weather Bureau.

Some very desirable trimmed hats at half price at Miss Clark's, 632 Mesquite St. Phone 172. 12-30-28

NOT PABLO MARTINEZ

Wrong Man Arrested for Shooting B. C. Baldwin.

A message was received by Sheriff Wright Tuesday from Sheriff John Chesser of Hidalgo county, stating that he has arrested a party answering the description of Pablo Martinez, who is wanted in Nueces county, and for whose arrest a reward of \$500 is offered.

Sheriff Wright immediately phoned B. C. Baldwin, at Kingsville, to go to Edinburg and see if the suspect was Martinez. Mr. Baldwin made the trip and reported that the man was not the one wanted.

Martinez is charged with an assault with intent to murder upon the person of Constable Baldwin of Kingsville, last October. Baldwin had attempted to arrest Martinez on a charge of looting, when Martinez, with the aid of other Mexicans it is alleged, seized him and shot him with his own gun. Baldwin received dangerous wounds, but several weeks later recovered.

New Rural Delivery Route.

New rural delivery route number 2, out of the Corpus Christi office, will be inaugurated on February 1st. Postmaster Crabb has requested the Caller to assure that all patrons of the new route give their names in at the postoffice at the earliest possible date, so as to avoid any confusion or non-delivery of mail matter.

All patrons are also notified that they must provide themselves with mail boxes and the patron's name should be placed thereon.

The new route aggregates 36 miles the round trip, and includes a large number of the people living south and southwest of the city, especially in the Oso neighborhood. A carrier has not yet been named.

Will Address Dairymen.

A notice has been received that C. Evans, secretary and treasurer of the Texas Dairymen's Association, will be in Corpus Christi during the early part of January, and that he will make an address to the dairymen of Nueces county.

A suit has been issued for all the dairymen who are interested to meet at the Commercial club Saturday afternoon, January 6th and make plans for the entertainment of Mr. Evans during his stay in Corpus Christi.

New Year GIFTS

Calendars for 1912

New Year Letters

New Year Postals

Gift Books in Leather

Brass and Copper Novelties

Desk Calendars and Sets

Waterman Fountain Pens

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BOOK & STATIONERY CO.

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